Petitioner states other governments are eliminating Morse Code requirements. I learned long ago just because others do something it may not be in my or our nations best interest.

Amateurs have a unique role to play in emergency communications support. Their equipment may be crude to very sophisticated but the one common HF capability is the knowledge and use of Morse Code. This Morse capability may serve the Nation in unseen ways and should be kept in force without license class changes.

For those not wishing to put the effort into learning the Morse Code, the Technician Class license is available and plays an important role for close in support during emergency operations. Eliminate RM-10784